CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1987 AT 9:00 A.M. IN BC-110, SGW CAMPUS

ATTENDANCE:

Present were:

C.H. Langford (Chair), Vice-Dean P. Albert, Dr. F. Bird, Dr. J. Doukas, Dr. P. Fazio, Dr. C. MacKenzie (for Dean Parker), R. Stoller, Dr. C.Y. Suen, Dean M.N.S. Swamy, Dean M. Szabo, A.J. Williams, S. Bulzan (Secretary)

Absent with regrets:

Dean R. Parker, Dr. C. Ross, Dr. P. Shizgal

Absent:

H. Fotouhinia, Dr. D. Pariser

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AND DISTRIBUTED TO SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

SRC-87-03-05-D11 (addition) ? ? INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION OF RESEARCH FUNDS (revision of pages 4 & 5)

Dr. C.H. Langford occupied the Chair.

I. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1.1 It was moved and seconded (Szabo, Suen) and unanimously RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Senate Research Committee meeting of April 9, 1987 be approved.

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II. CHAIR'S REMARKS

2.1 The recent Québec budget was discussed. The Chair stated that Concordia's estimated share of research money will be approximately $750,000.

2.2 The Chair indicated that it is important for the Senate Research Committee to express ways in which this sum of money should be allocated.

2.3 A draft document will be prepared by the Chair indicating the Committee's position on the budget.

III. INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION OF RESEARCH FUNDS (SRC-87-03-05-D11) (supported by SRC-87-03-05-D11 addition)

3.1 The document SRC-87-03-05-D11 was edited based on notes and comments made at the last meeting.

3.2 The Chair prepared an alternative to pages four and five of the above document which were to be considered by the Committee.

3.3 The Committee reached a consensus to accept the general document, but further discussion regarding the allocation mechanisms was required.

3.4 The Committee recommended that overhead generated as a result of contract research activities over the next five years be returned/allocated to research in the units. The Chair will prepare a separate document on the above subject.

3.5 The question of faculty committees was discussed at length. The Committee decided that any annual report from a faculty committee to the Senate Research Committee should include the following four points:

a) An overview of research activities and funding in their faculties;

b) Requests made to the Committee;

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c) Requests funded;

d) Rationale/guidelines they've adopted.

3.6 The Chair will revise the document according to the above discussion and will transmit it to Senate.

IV. GRADUATE BURSARIES VS. GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS (overhead implications)

4.1 The Chair discussed the practice of considering graduate student assistants who receive grants as employees of the University.

4.2 Due to lack of time, this question will be reviewed by the Committee at a later date.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.